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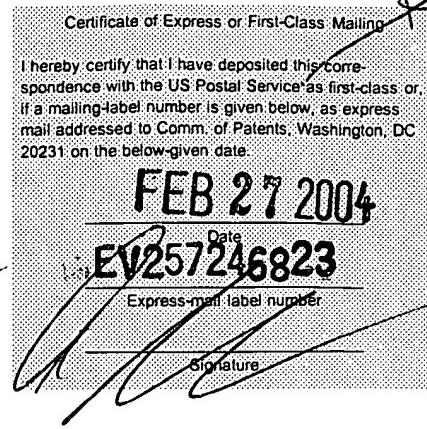


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 Patent App. **10/686,538**
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Country	Number	Filing Date	Priority claimed
Germany	10249473.8	24 October 2002	Yes

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